His Excellency, Banny de Brum (pronounced Der-Broom), the Republic of the Marshall Islands' Ambassador to the United States, is well and favorably known by agencies here in the United States. Ambassador de Brum assumed his role as Ambassador in 1996 and has long been active in the diplomatic community in Washington, D.C.

Ambassador de Brum graduated from the University of Regis College in Denver, Colorado in 1981 with a B.A. in Sociology.

Ambassador de Brum was assigned to the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Embassy here in Washington in 1987 as Deputy Chief of Mission. In 1995, he became Charge d 'Affairs when Ambassador Wilfred Kendall resigned to seek a seat in the RMI parliament. He also served as Acting Permrep in the absence of the RMI Ambassador to the United Nations.

Since 1994, Ambassador de Brum has served as the Chairman of the Washington Pacific Committee. This Committee, comprised of representatives of all Pacific Embassies including the three Freely Associated States (Micronesia, Palau and the RMI), promotes regional political and cultural interests in the capital.